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1. On 27 or 28 July 1953, a troop train carrying 28 x 37-mm AA guns and 14 trucks with billeting equipment passed through the Cottbus railroad station. The train came from the direction of Frankfurt/Oder and went toward Rallenberg.
 2. On 30 July, a Soviet artillery regiment with vehicles [redacted] transferred from the Luftnachrichten Kaserne in Dresden-Nickern to the Czechoslovakian border. 2
 3. Between 20 and 28 July, an engineer field exercise was observed on the Mulde River. About 260 troops wearing blue-bordered black epaulets were seen constructing a bridge with pontoons and 65 trucks during the night. [redacted] On 21 and 22 July, a bivouac was erected in the Tuemnitz Woods. The installation was occupied by troops with blue-bordered black epaulets, about 85 trucks with pontoons, another 11 trucks, and trucks with hoisting gear [redacted]
1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] one of the two troop trains [redacted] from Kuestrin to Justerbo which probably carried light AAA units of the 32nd AAA Div (US).
 2. [redacted] Comment. This is the first report by source on the Luftnachrichten Kaserne in Dresden-Nickern. In early July 1953, the installation again was occupied to capacity following the riots in June. The 399th Gds How Arty Regt of the 11th Gds Tank Div is also carried at this installation. It is assumed, however, that all units of the First Gds Mecz Army which on and after 17 June, transferred from the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds, returned to Koenigsbrueck prior to mid-July 1953. Thus, the report by source, especially the departure of the regiment toward the Czech border, must be received with reserve.

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